

NEWSLETTER

Term 3 - 4 September 2020

IMPORTANT DATES	
TERM 3	
SEPTEMBER	
Fri 4th	Father's Day "Drive Through Brekkie Deal" 7.00-8.30am
Fri 18th	Last day of Term.
TERM 4	
OCTOBER	
19-23	BOOK WEEK
Tue 27th	SCHOOL PHOTOS



On Sunday we celebrate Father's Day, an opportunity to give thanks for the wonderful males in our lives.

*It is a ritual we look forward to as a way of showing our love and appreciation
for all that our fathers and significant adults do for us.*

We also honour all men who act as a Father figure – Stepfathers, Uncles, Grandfathers, Friends.

*Although it is called Father's Day, it is understood that many other significant adults, as well
as mothers, play the role of 'Dad' in the children's lives.*

God our Father,

Bless all who 'father' and protect new life in any way,
these 'fathers' who teach and guide, who encourage and lead.

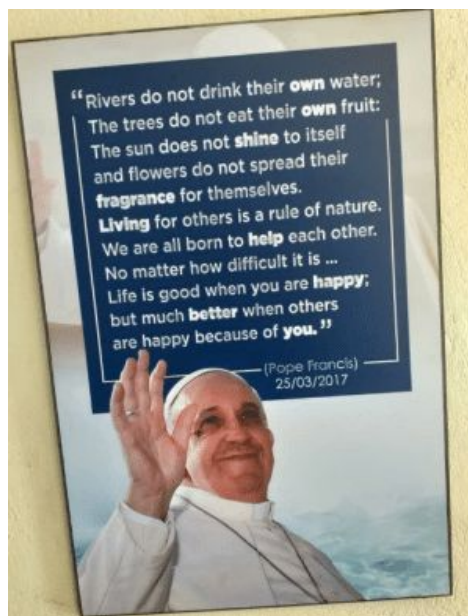
Invite them to the table of your eternal feast,
these 'fathers' who work hard to provide for the life that has been entrusted to them.

Embrace them warmly in the intimacy of your love,
these 'fathers' who lift up with strength those who are helpless and dependent.

Bless them with all good things: with health, with laughter, with joy and with love,
with pride in their 'children' and with the support of many friends.

May all 'fathers' who have protected and guided the life of others be themselves held securely
one day in your strong embrace, there, for all eternity, to rejoice with their families and friends.

We give you thanks and praise for all 'fathers'.



Dear Parents, Friends and Carers,



FATHERS DAY DRIVE THRU BREAKFAST

This morning Mr Ryan and myself drew the short straw and got the early set up gig for our Drive Thru Breakfast. After both dodging a few kangaroos on the way out here, we were able to flick the lights on in the COLA before setting up the BBQ's. The COLA looked great all lit up.

After that we set up the BBQ's and got the morning playlist going. Sorry to those families close by if we woke you up with a bit of 7.30am ACDC, but it was a celebration morning and it needed a good playlist.



We had over 40 families come through the Drive Thru Father's Day Breakfast which was fantastic. It was great to see familiar faces again and for the teachers to interact with the children through the car windows and from behind masks.

Our Father's day BBQ is an annual event, and we are rapt with how this morning went. Thanks to all involved and to every staff member who all contributed in some way. We trust every recipient of a gift pack enjoyed the goodies inside.

Happy Father's Day to everyone.

Thanks to JI Office Supplies, IGA Heathcote, Oval Takeaway, Mclvor Meats, Rosdale Handkerchiefs, MMM Bendigo, Nine News and Mclvor Times for donations, discounts and promotion of our school.

Below is a transcript of an interview about the event conducted by MMM Bendigo on the wireless.

<https://www.triplem.com.au/shows/cogho-and-kylie/catch-up/d7e43c4b-954c-4176-9c12-ac2b00642b57>

For those interested, if you tune in to **CHANNEL NINE NEWS** today at 4pm and 5.30pm, there will be a story about our breakfast on there.

We appreciate the positive coverage from these media outlets and I think you will all agree a positive story or two is what we need at these times.





Thank you Holy Rosary staff and community for your lovely gesture for Fathers Day. It is much appreciated. Happy fathers day to everyone. Best wishes and well done.

Jenny, Tom and Indie

PREMIERS ANNOUNCEMENT

As we head into Week 8 of Remote learning 2.0 we await the Road Map from Premier Andrews this weekend or next week. Let's hope that school can return in Term 4 and that we can get back to some normality in our lives. It is very encouraging to hear from the teachers that our students are taking on learning from home so well and that their growth is noticeable. I have no doubt they will come through this in good shape and if we can get a good final term of teaching and learning we will have had a good year, despite COVID -19.

STAFFING UPDATES

I am very pleased to announce that **Mr Vin Ryan** will continue on at Holy Rosary Heathcote as Deputy Principal - Leader of Learning for another year. Vin is on leave from his ongoing role as teacher at St Liborius Eaglehawk and will enter his second year of leave to be with us in 2021.

Vin has brought a great deal to our school community this year and especially to our staff. He has very quickly learnt how special it is to work at our school and gives his role 110% every day. I look forward to our leadership team moving forward unchanged for 2021 allowing us to make great school improvements for all.

It is with mixed emotions that we will farewell **Miss Beth (Bu) McKinnell** at the end of the year. Sad emotions because we are losing a great teacher who arrived at our school as a graduate and has grown so much over 4.5 years. Beth is a great staff member who is very dedicated to her work. But happy emotions also as we know that Beth will now pursue her true love and that is to teach in Early Childhood Development where the little ones will benefit greatly from her skills. We will acknowledge Beth later in the year, and wish her well for her future. We are currently working on what our languages program will look like in 2021 and beyond.

CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM

I am very pleased to announce to the Holy Rosary Heathcote community that our Capital Works project has gone to tender as of yesterday. We have seven very well respected companies tendering for the build which creates quite a competitive process. Tenders close on 1st October. This project is ahead of time despite the COVID-19 restrictions.

The project will commence around the final weeks of this year.

Holy Rosary Primary school project includes:

- Construction of new administration office and staff lounge.
- Refurbishment of existing space to create staff and student amenities.
- Flexi and arrival space
- Four general learning areas
- Changes to existing toilet amenities.



SCHOOL GROUNDS

Pride in our school programs, our students and staff as well as how our school looks is very high on the agenda at Holy Rosary Heathcote. Recently we updated our mower to ensure our groundsman Nick Taylor can keep up with the grass as it jumps out of the ground.

The new mower was purchased locally from **Tony Hicks at LCR Small Engines and Fabrication**.

Tony and his family team have been fantastic to deal with and it has been great to deal locally. We look forward to many years of trouble free mowing with our new Challenger mower

MAINTENANCE

We are delighted to have the services of Mr Brice Pianta who is helping out the school with maintenance while we have minimal students around. Brice has a vested interest in our school as a parent and Board member. Brice has a list as long as his arm to work through and will ensure our school is tidy, safe and functional. Welcome Brice and thanks for helping out.

Kind regards,
Paul Dullard and Vin Ryan

*Holy Rosary School Heathcote is a Child Safe School.
We promote the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children.*

Planning for 2021

We will be looking at classes and staffing for next year over the next few weeks. If you are leaving the school at the end of this year, could you please let me know as soon as possible?

The numbers are very important as we look at class sizes etc.



ENROLMENTS FOR FOUNDATION 2021

If you know of a family who is considering enrolling their child for 2021, please let them know that enrolments are open at Holy Rosary, and they are most welcome to put in an application for enrolment.

They can contact the office on 5433 2057 or by email: admin@hrheathcote.catholic.edu.au for more information.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We wish the following students who celebrated their birthdays this week a very special
"HAPPY BIRTHDAY"

*Shanae Cassidy on 1 September who turned 12
Lily Dole on 1 September who turned 9*



WHERE'S BRIDIE?

We have all heard of Where's Wally But who is looking for Bridie?

Bridie will be hiding somewhere throughout the weekly newsletter in the form of a Bitmoji/Cartoon which will differ each week (see example below).

Simply submit your answer **BY THE TUESDAY** after Friday's newsletter by emailing Mrs Neylon - dneylon@hrheathcote.catholic.edu.au (Subject: I found Bridie).

Mr Dullard will be drawing out a student's name each week and the correct answer will win a prize.
GOOD LUCK

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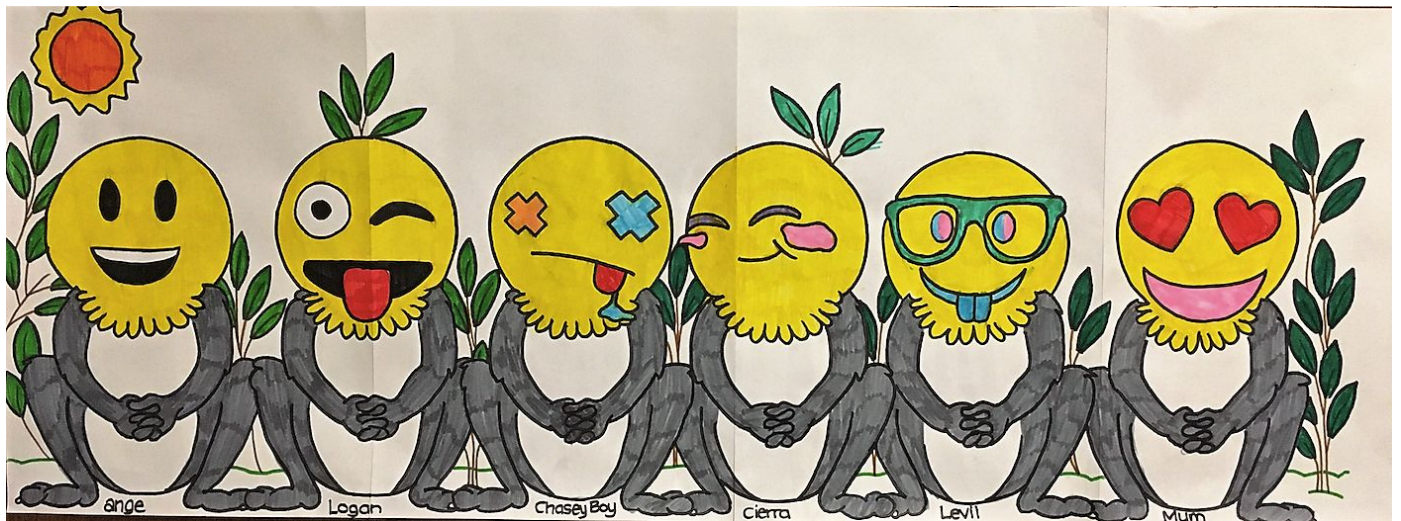


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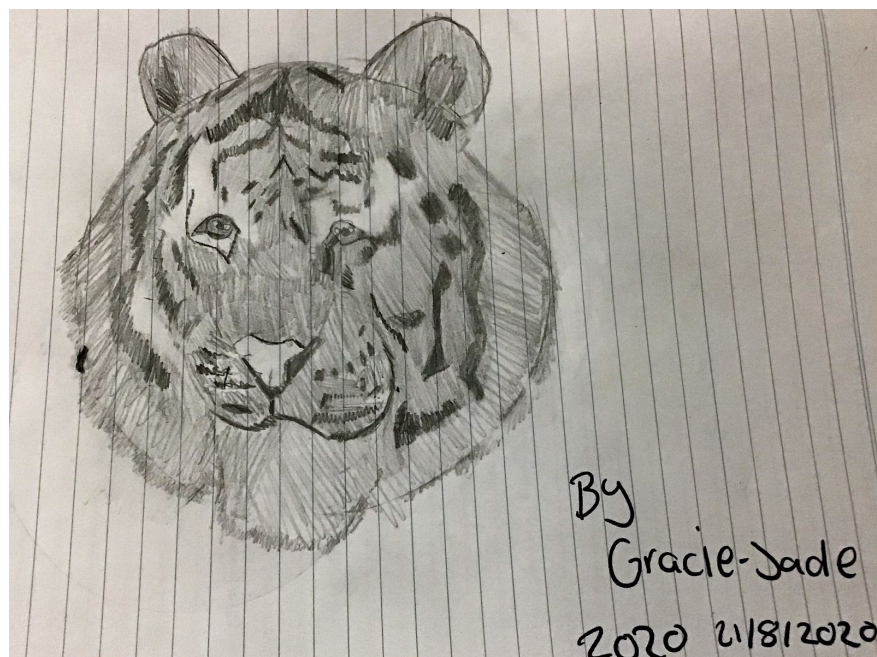
COOPER MITCHELL - Grade 1

**Who found Bridie in last Friday's issue and who's name was
drawn out of a hat by Mr Dullard - well done!**

Prizes will be given out when school returns to normal.



Chase Harrison had to create a family portrait for RE. He chose to use emojis to show what each person in his family is like. Chase enjoyed working with the support of his mum to complete.

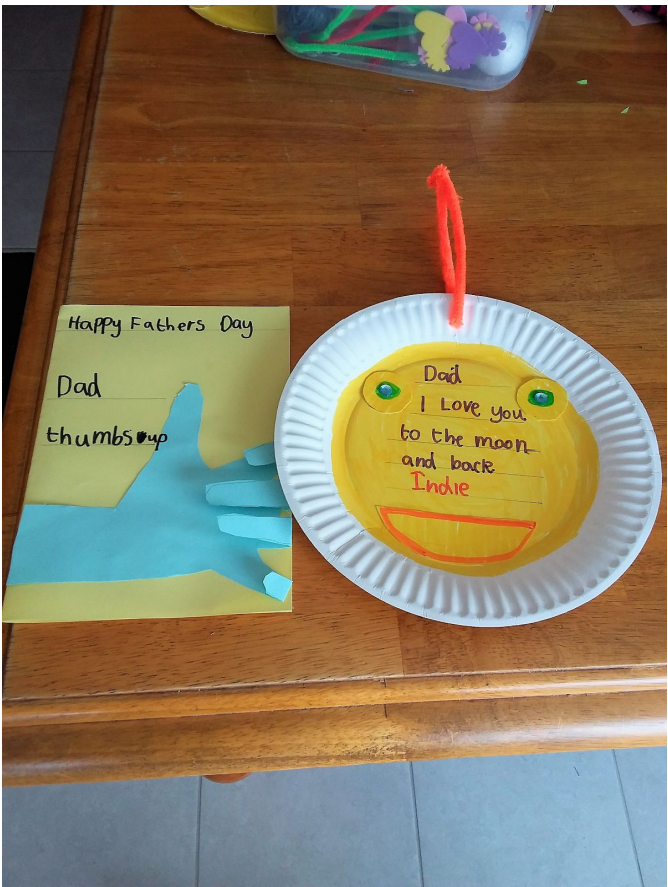




Indie submitted these pictures of her salt dough animals late last week.



Indie's Father's Day Art for her Pop and her Dad



JENNY'S ELC KINDER PROGRAM

Our early Years Kinder Program is tailored to prepare children to be ready for school in a fun and caring environment. We offer:

- Recognised Bachelor Trained Teachers, 5 days per week
- Long days and small group sizes
- Emerging Curriculum that supports children to be their best selves
- Excursions / Incursions throughout the year
- All meals provided
- Free Kinder Shirt for all Children

Although we are new in town, we offer big, genuine experience.

To make a booking call 4411 6803 or email heathcote@jennyselc.com.au



Welcome to Shine Bright EYM!

HEATHCOTE KINDERGARTEN (SHINE BRIGHT)

2021 "3 & 4" Year Old Enrolments due now

Please feel free to drop in to pick up an enrolment form or apply online at www.lmpa.org.au

Don't miss out, our 3 and 4 year old programs are filling fast!





ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN AT HOLY ROSARY HEATHCOTE

*It is our great pleasure to welcome new families into our school community,
and we encourage enrolments in any year level.
For further information about enrolling your child, please contact the school.*



Holy Rosary School Heathcote

For any further enquiries please contact Donna or Tania in the office
on (03) 5433 2057 or email: principal@hrheathcote.catholic.edu.au
18 Pohlman Street, Heathcote



COVID-19 Assistance from the City of Greater Bendigo

The City of Greater Bendigo has a number of services and supports available through a helpline to assist families impacted by COVID-19, including general information and advice, food relief, financial relief information, etc.

The City of Greater Bendigo Helpline information is available 7 days a week on phone **5434 6237** or via email covid19relief@bendigo.voc.gov.au

Information is also available on <https://www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/>

**We're still open our normal trading hours of
Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm**

www.heathcotenagambie.community

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Is part of the Global Project SPOONVILLE INTERNATIONAL
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A creative way to support our mental health during this pandemic

FOR ALL AGES AND ALL ABILITIES

#GET CREATIVE - Make a Spoonie
Add your Spoonie to create a Community

Share your images to Facebook - Spoonville Heathcote

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**AT THE HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY HOUSE &
HEATHCOTE HEALTH CAMPUS - 55 HOSPITAL ST**





SPOONVILLE RULES

Place your spoony person during
your daily exercise

**Make sure bits don't blow off your spoony
person - we don't want to litter!**

Spoonies aren't keen on dogs - dogs
please stay back!

Come and see the spoonies but don't
stay long and no touching!

Make sure spoonies can take the rain -
nail varnish is good for our faces.

Legs and arms can be sticks from the
garden.